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## First snowfall claims 15 vehicles

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

When it was all said and done there were 15 reports of motor vehicle collisions in Haliburton County after the first serious snowfall left behind 11 centimetres of snow on Wednesday, Dec. 1.

OPP officer Mark McMaster said road conditions on the day were "treacherous."

Last year when the county was hit by a similar blast of winter there were fewer OPP calls, he remembers, owing to the kind of snow, describing it as "slushy."

"That's the type of snow that is not very forgiving," he said. "When you get in that slush it just pulls you [off the road]."

Specific accident numbers were not readily available for comparison.

Despite the high rate of calls received by the police, Doug Ray, the Haliburton County roads department director, said, "It was a typical storm for us ... we get a number of these type of storms a year."

Although his crew did not work any more than normal, the department was in "continuous" motion, from 4 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., with its fleet of six tandem trucks, plowing, salting and sanding for the storm "that just came all at once."

They plow five routes, measuring at least 250 km of road, taking four hours to complete a route.

However the responsibility for some county roads are shared, such as Horseshoe Lake Road and Deep Bay Road covered by Minden Hills, Harburn Road by Dysart and three by Algonquin Highlands road crews. These shared

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# LCBO taking Christmas gifts for YWCA families

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news and events worth noting

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Bring gifts suitable for youngsters to locations in Kinmount, Gooderham, Wilberforce and Haliburton by Thursday, Dec. 9 to make this season more cheerful for those in need.

## Postcard book benefits Arts Council

The Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands is proud to announce the release of the 2010 Postcard Book. Featuring stunning photos of nature and wildlife taken by some of the county's most talented photographers, the book is a must-have item for all those who appreciate the "natural work of art" that is the Highlands.

The project, which was launched by the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands, saw Arts Council members enter a contest to have a shot at getting their work featured in the book. Of the entries, a total of six photographers were selected and 12 photos chosen. Our thanks to Parker Pad

and Printing Ltd. for producing the book.

A limited number of books are available for \$15 each (plus HST) at the Arts Council's office. For more information call the Arts Council office at 705-457-8033.

## Haliburton Lions Club sends kids to the ballet

The Haliburton Lions Club is generously paying the cost of busing for children at Cardiff Elementary School to attend Heritage Ballet's performance of the perennial Christmas story - *The Nutcracker*.

David Mills, a member of the Lions Club, is also a performer in *The Nutcracker* this year.

He has a special guest role as Mother Ginger in the Land of Sweets.

Mills has been the production manager of *The Nutcracker* for the past five years and has enjoyed watching local kids being given the opportunity to attend the show. There are several children who attend Cardiff Elementary School who are in *The Nutcracker* and they are excited that their friends will get to watch them perform.

The special performance for the Cardiff and Stuart Baker kids will be on Friday, Dec. 10.

Other performances will be on Saturday, Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at Pharmasave in Minden and Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton. \$15 for adults and \$10 for kids.

## OPP to fill cruisers for food banks

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands detachment will be having their annual Fill a Cruiser with Food campaign, in a couple of weeks.

On Monday Dec. 20, officers will be at the Wilberforce Foodland from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. attempting to fill a cruiser with food. All donated food will then be taken to the Word of Life Food Bank in Wilberforce.

On Tuesday, Dec. 21, officers will be at the Minden Valu-Mart from 10 a.m. until noon. The officers will then proceed over to the Minden Foodland where they will accept donations until 2 p.m. All the donations will then be turned over to Minden Food Bank.

On Wednesday, Dec. 22, officers will be at Todd's Independent from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. trying to fill a cruiser with food. The officers will also be at the Haliburton Foodland from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. All donated food will be given to the 4Cs Food Bank in Haliburton.

## Gingerbread contest almost over

Remember to pop by Todd's Independent before Dec. 8 to vote for your favourite gingerbread house made by one of town's businesses.

You could win a gingerbread house for the family and the creation with the most votes wins a year's supply of bragging rights. (Pick us!)



## To serve and give back

The Wilberforce and Area Volunteer Police Association, left, Ed Otto, president; Don Wilson, vice-president; Patricia Simiana, treasurer; and Gwendolyn Saunders, director; present \$500 to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation Peter Oyler, director; (HHHS, Dale Robinson, board chair), Dale Walker, executive director; and board members, Dave Coulson, Jan McMaster, John Bauman and Steve Todd. This money will help with the Christmas campaign \$80,000 goal towards the purchase of cardiac care equipment such as a defibrillator. Darren Lum Echo staff

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Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Danny, the driver of a transport truck carrying approximately 38 tons of salt, surveys the damage after his transport truck slid along Highway 118 on Dec. 2, taking out a hydro line along the way. The accident occurred at approximately 2 p.m., two kilometres west of West Guilford. Ten minutes later a car also slid off the road (behind).

## Best way to keep safe: slow down

from page 1

roads, he said, are Class 5, which are "low volume roads."

The department used two to three complete circuits of application of material - sand or salt or a combination of the two - depending on the classification of the road.

Roads such as County Road 21, which is a Class 3 road, is usually salted where needed such as corners and hills. County Road 503, from Kinmount to Tory Hill, is also a Class 3 road.

Ray adds policy is to clear Class 3 roads to a bare payment condition, 12 hours after the snow stops while Class 5 roads could theoretically be snow packed for an entire season, but have loose snow plowed after a set period of time.

The department put down two to three applications of salt, which was applied at the beginning and the end of the day. Ray said the initial salting creates a "brine" surface, which not only reduces ice buildup, but also prevents a packing of snow to the pavement by traffic and allows it to be plowed.

In a typical winter season the department draws from the between 4,000 and 5,000 tons of total material, costing \$80 a tonne.

Although drivers were good for the most part during the heavy snowfall last week, he said, drivers will exhibit poor judgment when impatience sets in.

"It's almost like there isn't any patience. If you want to drive from Minden to Haliburton on County Road 21 at 60 km/h it's a bit of a drive. It's a long drive. Yesterday was about the speed you wanted to go. And you'll always get people who are not comfortable driving that slow and they're the ones that will end up going in the ditch for sure. You have to slow down."

Ray has been with the roads department for 25 years, holding various posts.

McMaster, who has been a police officer for more than 29

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**And you'll always get people who are not comfortable driving that slow and they're the ones that will end up going in the ditch for sure. You have to slow down.**

— Doug Ray, county roads department

years, here in the county and in Toronto, had similar observations and advice for drivers.

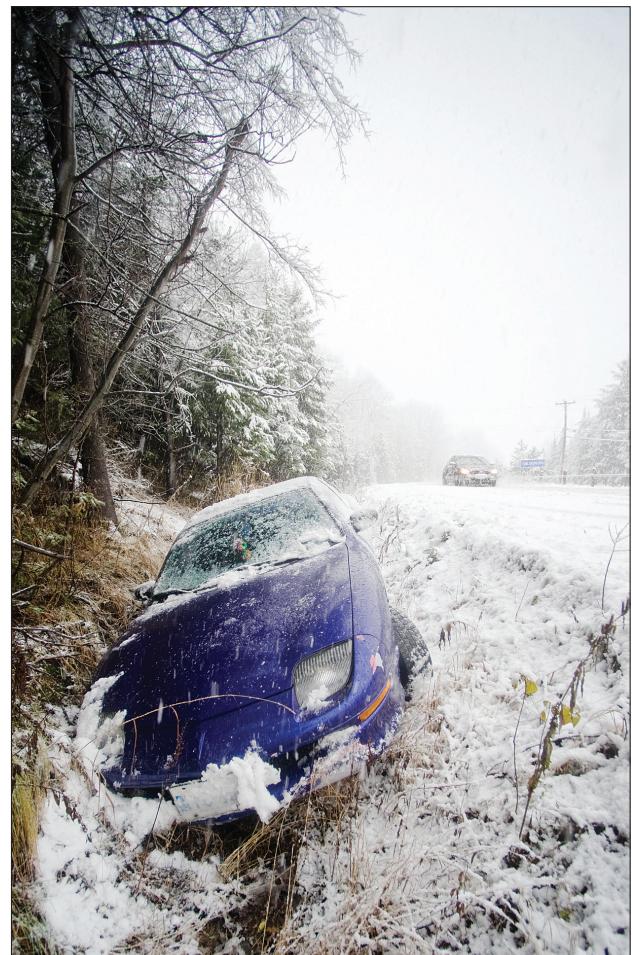
"A lot of the time people are just going too fast," he said, adding most motor vehicle accident reports in general would be categorized as "speed too fast for conditions."

After the full day of snow, following 6 p.m. the OPP only responded to two calls.

Both of them encouraged drivers to outfit vehicles with a full-set of winter tires.

NOTE: weather enthusiast Phil Graham, measured the accumulation of 11 cm of snow in Minden.

A car sits in the ditch by Highway 118, just outside Haliburton at the bottom of Dover Spring Hill on Wednesday, Dec. 1. Snowfall accumulations were 11 cm.  
Darren Lum Echo staff



# Students making a difference at home and around the world

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

They call themselves the We Workers.

Thirteen students at JD Hodgson Elementary School are set on making a difference in the community they live in and around the world.

The newly formed youth action group, part of the We Schools in Action, an initiative of Free The Children to celebrate the power of young people to create positive change.

Earlier this year the group travelled to Toronto to participate in a one-day event to kick-off the yearlong program. Titled We Day, the event featured speeches and performances from global leaders, social activists and entertainers.

Each school group that attends is asked to make a commitment to follow the We Schools in Action program, which includes taking local and global action throughout the year.

Students here in Haliburton have already begun making a difference with campaigns such as Halloween for Hunger and the Vow of Silence, which saw more than 115 students participate by having no voice for a 24 hour period.

"There was no talking, or texting or going on the Internet for the 24 hour period," explained Grade 8 student Connor Marsden, one of the We Workers. "The goal was to raise awareness for kids in the world who don't have a voice."

Students involved in the group were selected through an application process, which saw approximately 40 students apply.

"I wanted to make a difference," said Marsden on why she chose to apply. "The name of the group comes from the me to we concept, taking care of other people and not just yourself. It's about treating people the way we want to be treated."

The group is currently putting together an action plan for another local project, to be completed in the new year, as well as a global project. The workers have chosen a project titled Brick by Brick, with the goal of building a school in Ecuador over the next two years.

"When you have a lot of ideas there are a lot of levels to



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Students at JD Hodgson Elementary School brainstorm ideas to make a difference in the local community. The students are called We Workers, part of a national initiative with the intent of making a difference in the lives of others.

overcome in order to meet set goals," said Laurie Bowker, Grade 7 teacher and faculty coordinator. "They need encouragement and support from the community."

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# First snowfall creates havoc for hydro employees

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

The first generous snowfall of the season left some residents of the county without power for as long as 24 hours in some cases.

According to hydro union trade supervisor Brian Gallagher, the majority of the problems reported on Dec. 2 were located north of Highway 118 and were caused by two distinct factors.

"Snow and trees," laughed Gallagher. "The snowfall on the trees has been bringing trees down onto the lines."

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**Given the snowfall and the weather we can put lines back up, however, if the weather gets worse the power can go out again**

— Brian Gallagher, hydro supervisor

According to Gallagher, the heavy snow that was received meant hydro crews were working around the clock to remove trees and repair lines.

The power was also affected along Highway 118, just west of West Guilford after a transport truck skidded off the road at approximately 2:10 p.m. on Dec. 2. The truck took out a hydro line during the course of the accident. According to Gallagher, hydro crews attended to the scene for a number of hours to restore power to the area.

"Given the snowfall and the weather we can put lines back up and restore power, however, if the weather gets worse the power can go out again," said Gallagher. "We have no idea until we get the call and then we respond accordingly."

As of Dec. 3, Gallagher confirmed that the majority of the county was with power, allowing crew members to take a well-deserved break.

"Hopefully we can go home and catch up on some sleep," said Gallagher.

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# New law leaves everyone without

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

A new Ontario law is going to likely leave everyone affected with nothing.

As of past Wednesday, Dec. 1, anyone caught driving with a suspended license for not paying child support will have his or her vehicle impounded.

(On the same day those caught driving with a blood alcohol concentration above the legal limit, including those driving without a mandatory an in-car breath monitoring device, will have their vehicles suspended for seven days.)

With more than 36 years of social work in Haliburton and Toronto, Dan Bajorek, Point in Time program manager, sees this law as purely punitive and overly harsh.

"I like to think there are other alternatives before that gets done. Certainly in Haliburton County when there isn't any public transportation where people are extremely dependent on vehicles to get kids to and fro then that would present added difficulties," he said, adding this measure doesn't get behind why there is a lack of payments, whether it is financial or purely vindictive.

Both parties involved, he said, in his experience, are affected in some way and historically men are the ones paying child support in most separations, but it is important that the focus be on the beneficiary, which is the child or children.

From a total of 5,105 families taken from the 2006 census on Haliburton County, 10 per cent were lone-parent families.

Of those, 73 per cent were female-led lone-parent families.

Lynn Zimmer, the YWCA executive director of Peterborough, Victoria and Halibur-

ton, said in her 26 years with the organization this is one of the least effective laws related to the enforcement of child support.

"The trouble with that is it is more crime and punishment for the guy, but it doesn't help the women and children. It doesn't make it more likely he is going to make his support payments. It doesn't give them any more economic security," she said, pointing out that of her clients, if a spouse is abusive, it is usually the man. "If he is the kind of man, and often he is, who blames his wife for everything then it is one more thing he is going to blame her for and it doesn't help support payments flow to the women and children who need them."

YWCA clients are provided shelter and counselling services including help with child support.

She adds this law focuses on punishment rather than the resolution of the problem and suggests parents should be legally bound to pay the courts to ensure payment.

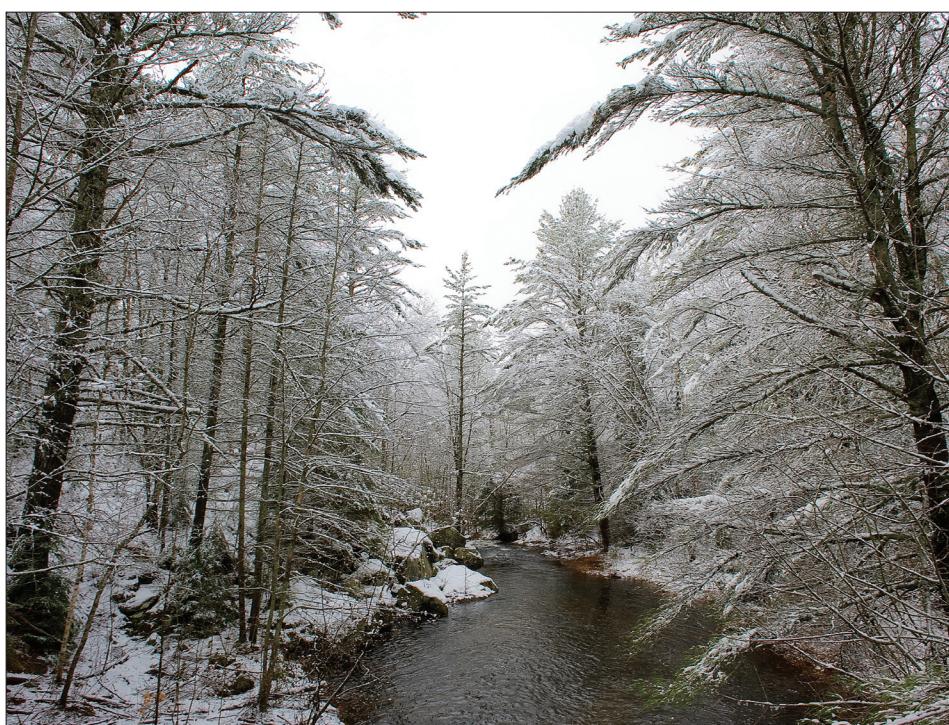
Bajorek said those seeking help related to this issue can also employ the services of the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team and the Ministry of Community Social Services, Ontario Disability Support Program.

"We always encourage people to get some legal advice. Certainly when couples are about to go into the throes of a separation we'll certainly encourage people to say, 'look, rather than paying for the high price for a lawyer you may want to try mediation services as well.' That's usually somebody trained in counselling and has a bit of law experience that gives more bang for your dollar," he said.

Point in Time offers help in this area

through their parent support and intake department that will direct the client to a

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## Remembering, mourning then celebrating

**T**HIS WEEK, I was asked to speak on Dec. 6 – a day to remember the women killed in the Montreal Massacre in 1989 and to take action against violence.

In order to prepare, over the past month I dug here and there for bits and pieces about the day.

I watched old news reports from 1989, I found national statistics on gendered violence and I got information from the local YWCA women's centre and the police.

I learned that as much as Dec. 6 is about stopping violence against women, it is also about recognizing the power women have to persevere and overcome – to overcome violence and to overcome gender inequality.

As I thought through the events of Dec. 6, 1989, when 14 female engineering students were killed at L'Ecole Polytechnique in Montreal, I began to break down the message behind their deaths; they were targeted for being smart, ambitious, highly educated women by someone who found them so intimidating he shot them.

That man was an extremist, but his actions drew attention to the plight of abused women across the country.

Some local context: in Haliburton County, there were 624 calls to the crisis and support line of the YWCA women's centre in the 2009/2010 fiscal year.

The local OPP records 70 domestic violence charges laid in 2009. There have been 58 so far this year.

Those numbers are unacceptable, but they also indicate a resolve to pick up the phone and get help.

These women are taking control and getting out.

So while Dec. 6 was a day of incredible sadness both for the women who died at L'Ecole Polytechnique and for those living with violence and the effects of violence today, it was also a day to celebrate those who survived.

Survival is not simply living through violence – it is an active decision to move past it and to thrive in spite of it.

And I celebrate that.



**Jenn Watt**  
Editor



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photo by Darren Lum

## Life in the dead zone

**W**HETHER YOU REALIZE it or not you live on the dark side of the moon. Without question the oxygen content is much more favourable here as is the abundance of natural light (except in December) but, when it comes to cellphones and cellphone signals, the coverage area is pretty much the same.

We've all been witness to that poor sap – usually from the city and ignorant to our six square feet of "hot" spots up here – helplessly reaching to the sky in search of some signal to keep in contact with his part-time nanny who either just said "the house is on fire" or "your clothes are in the dryer."

You feel for him. At some point you too suffered the pain of that first dropped call (I'm going on No. 1,537 at present) but now you've gotten really smart and your outgoing calls are placed only when you're strategically in a spot known for having (some) coverage and large ditches (yes, despite the law we both know you still use that little sucker while driving).

The difficulty of having a cellphone up here is that you don't always control the actual time of the call, like when your bookie phones to tell you that he's in

the area to break your knees, or when a business contact with absolutely no concept of the term "dead zone" calls to talk about crown moulding or to offer you his weekly special on kitty litter. In this case you feel like the guy who brought the can opener to a gun fight.

Such is the reality we must endure; such is the price we pay for living in, as they say, God's country (all that power and he still buys land?). For every beautifully silent night we enjoy on the dock we get seamless mobile communication in but three measly locations

in the entire county (and two of them are 75 feet up a tower).

Of course it's your own fault, you just had to have something to reach for when a tinny, off-key version of YMCA startles everyone (except Mabel who, bless her heart, is hard of hearing) in the grocery store. Having a cellphone is akin to when your Mom picks you up at high school in a convertible. You're both cool and not cool at the very same moment and, when you own one in this region, you're really begging for those votes to keep you out of the Chess Club.

You don't agree? Well then, maybe we should talk. Call me. On second thought..



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# points of view

## All about wood

**I**T TOOK ME a while, but I've finally got wood." In hindsight, this was probably the wrong sentiment to repeat to my sister as I spoke to her over the phone. I know this now.

That sentence, you see, takes on a completely different meaning to an urbanite who has never had to deal with wood stoves nor the process of procuring fuel for them.

And it might have been even more confusing to her since she works for a pharmaceutical company whose flagship product addresses the issue of erectile dysfunction - which, if I understand it correctly, is a psychological problem that people run into when trying to assemble any Ikea product.

Of course, I might be wrong.

The point is that there seem to be two kinds of people in this world - those who use wood stoves and those who have never had the opportunity to drop a heavy maple block on their big toe.

Not enough is written on this phenomenon.

And since I happen to be an expert on the former, I'll try to enlighten you.

First, let me say that, as far as I have been able to ascertain, there are two techniques of carrying in wood.

The first entails walking over to the woodpile and returning with a manageable armful of wood.

This is an old technique that has currently fallen out of favour in this fast-paced world.

The second method - and the one I favour - involves nervously approaching the woodpile and standing with your Croc-clad feet directly below the most precarious section. There, you essentially begin a deadly game of Jenga as you slowly remove block after block until you have a) caused a massive collapse of the pile or b) loaded your arms up so high that you cannot actually see where you are going.

Either way, your toes are going to get it.

I happen to be dealing with a particularly devious pile of wood, harvested, I'm guessing, out of some evil, magical forest. The blocks from that pile actually lull me into a false sense of security until I feel in control and completely comfortable stopping at the door and taking my shoes off while still cradling them in both arms.

Anytime after that, one or more of those heavy chunks will decide to make a break for it.

You can't blame them really. They know that they are headed to the wood stove.

Even so, I think they understand that their chances of escape are slim to none - even against someone, such as myself, whose IQ is relatively similar. I'm guessing that this is why they try to incapacitate me by destroying my big toe.

They do this by hitching a ride on gravity and striking with blinding speed and deadly force. Usually, the sharpest corner leads.

If you really think about it from their perspective, this is the best strategy. At best, I will concede defeat and take them back to the woodpile where they can live out the rest of their days in rustic peace. At the very least, I will be slower in getting to the woodpile and rounding up their friends. If none work, they can go to their demise, content in the knowledge that their bark is as good as their bite.

Let's face it, if they take me out or even condition me to fear their kind, I will probably turn to alternate sources of heat, like solar for instance - and get sunburned.



**Steve Galea**

Tales from Vinegar Hill



pic of the past

**N**eil Howe, Al Blanchard and Bob Long were at Extendicare on Dec. 14, 1976 to help the Fort Irwin Resident Ladies' Association entertain. The ladies' association brought Christmas corsages and delicious food for everyone. It was a good way to get into the holiday season.

### letters to the editor

## Landowners not taken care of

#### To the Editor,

Wanted to write a letter to let people know how the landowners for the trails that you ride are really treated by the local clubs.

Over the past five years I have repeatedly contacted the ATV, motocross, and the snowmobile clubs in the area to put signs up around my house to slow the riders down. This trail is only 50 feet from the door to my house. I am a single dad with two small children I would think that this would be a top priority to them. However nothing has been done. Just a few short months ago, our family was blessed with a new puppy, as it turns out this puppy is deaf. This really put the heat on for me to get those signs up and slow the machines down as they come near the house because he will not hear them coming and will not be able to get out of the way. The ATV clubs flat out told me no, the motocross told me that it was not in the budget, and they both told me that it was someone else's problem, to contact the other clubs the *only* ones that are willing to talk to me is the snowmobile club, but it is low priority.

It won't be so low of a priority if something happens to one of my children, or one of my dogs.

Let me remind you of something. This is *my* land, I pay the taxes on it, and I clean up the beer bottles, cans and other garbage that your riders leave on my property. I can not afford a trail pass for my snowmobile so I don't use the trails. However I still take care of the piece that is mine, and I still allow you to use it.

I read in the paper all the time about how much the clubs are doing for the environment, and how much they are spending on the trails, or how they are giving donations to the community. How about taking five minutes for the landowners, listen to what they want, and help them out when they are in need. Without

them you would not have your trails. Let's be honest here. How much money and time would it really take to protect my family and animals, and how much is that worth?

**Rob McPhee  
Gooderham**

## Haliburton helps each other

#### To the Editor,

As a patient of Bill Kerr, I want to thank all of the volunteers that have strived to make the Haliburton County Volunteer Dental Outreach Clinic happen.

I personally have had a lot of dental attention, and I know that it can be very expensive.

Dr. Kerr has helped our entire family over the past years. The volunteers that are involved with donating their time and money are giving the people of Haliburton an opportunity to improve their dental health even when they may not be able to afford it. Their generosity is encouraging to many and shows that the people of Haliburton care about each other. As a teenager it is nice to see people in the community who work hard to help others. It gives me something to look up to in a world that can sometimes present as being cold. It shows true kindness. Thank you all very much for working together to help the people in our community.

**Lauren Snelgrove  
Haliburton**

# letters

## Treacherous conditions come suddenly

### To the Editor,

On the morning of Thursday, Nov. 25, my husband and I had travelled to Bobcaygeon. We stopped for a coffee and when we left, we were surprised to see ice pellets in the parking lot. Our next stop was Minden so we drove cautiously. The ice pellets had now turned to rain and the roads seemed fine.

We headed home to Wilberforce driving east on Hwy. 118 shortly after 4 p.m. We realized that the roads were by now sheer ice and very slippery so we slowed down.

As we approached the turn off to the Essenville Line, there was a vehicle that looked as if it had spun out and hit a rock cut and ended up in the middle of the road.

As we slowly drove by we saw that both air bags had deployed and fortunately there was no one in the vehicle.

We were reassured when we saw people in the next driveway that appeared to be aware of the situation.

Not sure how we could help, we decided the best way

was to try to warn oncoming drivers. We stopped at the intersection at the Essenville Line and flashed our lights and used hand signals to try to get the message across for drivers to slow down. Most people drove by us at their regular speed. Thankfully an ambulance arrived quickly and also a Highlands East First Response came to direct traffic.

The purpose of this letter is to warn people that road conditions can change rapidly as we discovered.

Pay attention to other vehicles and especially emergency personnel trying to help you avoid unnecessary collisions and possible injuries. What started out as a one vehicle collision ended up as several, so please take the time to check road conditions and drive accordingly.

We hope that standing outside in the cold and trying to help other drivers was not a total wasted effort and hopefully we prevented someone from being injured.

Hilary and Robert Klapow  
Wilberforce

## Car turns to sled in bad road conditions

### To the Editor,

Is there either a shortage of sand or road workers in the Haliburton area?

Despite having winter tires on my vehicle, I, once again, was the unwilling and distressed driver of a "sled" on the hill from my cottage.

By chance, a neighbour who had the same difficulty in the opposite direction just missed me with his truck's slip-

sliding; otherwise, the OPP would have had to investigate yet another avoidable winter accident.

Since Ontario (unlike northern European countries) doesn't allow studs on tires, travellers/taxpayers need to, at least, have timely sanding of all of its year-round roads during winter conditions.

Helena Hughes

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## Always check roofer's references

### To the Editor,

In early October, I paid in full for a roofing company to do my roof. They knew I had a terrible leak in my woodstove room. They reassured me not to worry, that my roof would be done "weather permitting." Of course, I understood that. It is now the last week of November and almost December and guess what? The roofers have not come. They ignored my request for a date "weather permitting."

I sit here waiting, being ignored by these so-called professionals. I was misled by all the signs they had posted everywhere and by the fact they were established at a storefront. My message to others is beware of roofers. (Most are professional.) Check their references. I was at fault for not

## Find some Christmas treasures at Halipalooza

The Haliburton School of the Arts, Fleming College, is pleased to present Halipalooza, the end of semester art show and sale hosted by current students in full-time diploma and certificate programs. This one-day exhibition will take place from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday Dec. 11 at Fleming College's Haliburton campus.

Halipalooza is a wonderful opportunity for developing artists to gain exhibition experience and showcase their many talents. Visitors will be amazed by the vibrant tapestry of the arts found on display and within the college. Many students who attend Haliburton School of the Arts have come from outside of Haliburton County to study at Fleming College and this exhibition provides members of the Haliburton community and opportunity to view new works by new artists.

Artists will be available to discuss their works and answer any questions.

This exhibition is a student-based initiative featuring a variety of media showcasing the talents of our fall semester students. Some of the media represented include painting, drawing, fibre arts, photo arts, ceramics, blacksmithing, and mixed media. Some works will be available to be purchased. Please join us for light refreshments as well as the chance to explore the unique and inspiring space that is the Haliburton School of the Arts. The event is free of charge and open to all.

For further information, please contact organizer Terri Frew at 705-457-1680 ext. 6759.



### Haliburton County Home Builders Association

## 15th Annual Christmas Challenge

### Join the Challenge and help us to make a difference

As the Christmas party season commences, The Haliburton County Home Builders would like to encourage you to include its Christmas Challenge in your plan. Large or small, each gift will help fill the Christmas hampers to families in need.

**Step 1:** Collect unwrapped toys or food items at your office or your Christmas Party.

**Step 2:** Call in advance to the Home Builders Office 457-2629. Members of the Home Builders

Association will pick up your gifts and deliver them to the workshops in Haliburton & Minden.

**Remember:** to make the most of the Challenge have your gifts ready for pick up BEFORE December 10th.

Early delivery to the workshop means the elves have enough time to prepare the baskets before Christmas.



# Hip-hop dancer tackles ballet for first time in *The Nutcracker*

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

Gustavo Rojas will not be caught dead in tights.

The 27-year-old native of Chile agreed to play the title character in this year's performance of *The Nutcracker* with only one condition.

"I told Julie [Barban] I would do it as long as she didn't ask me to wear ballet tights," said Rojas. "She said OK."

Born and raised in Chile, Rojas moved to Canada at the age of 19 and settled in the Toronto area. A professional soccer player, both in South and North America, Rojas has been making Haliburton County his home for the past two years.

A lover of both soccer and dance, Rojas has been performing on and off the field for as long as he can remember.

"I used to dance in the streets in Chile when I was a child," said Rojas. "I always did my own thing and would dance with my friends. I love to dance."

After a dance gig this past summer caught the attention of Julie Barban of Heritage Ballet, Rojas was asked to share his skills and abilities with the community of Haliburton.

"I started teaching hip-hop classes this September on Friday nights," said Rojas. "I teach beginner classes to eight-to 12-year-olds and one class for 13 and up."

"Teaching is a new thing for me, it's more difficult because people aren't always used to hip-hop, but it's a good experience. They're improving so it's good."

Taking a break from his beloved hip-hop, Rojas is trying something new by performing as the Nutcracker in this year's annual performance of the ballet.

Although it won't be the first time the

dancer has taken to the stage, the show will be Rojas's first time performing ballet in front of an audience.

to look at all the steps and you can pick it up."

Despite picking up the moves quickly Rojas admits he was nervous about tackling such a big role with little ballet background.

"I have a lot of pressure to live up to," said Rojas. "It's a big role. I have the least amount of experience and I have one of the biggest characters."

"I'm kind of nervous because I haven't practiced enough but I'm excited. I'm looking forward to it."

Performance of *The Nutcracker* will be taking place this Saturday Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton.

Tickets are currently on sale and are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children and are available at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton and Pharmasave in Minden.



**Angelica Blenich** Echo staff

Gustavo Rojas is making his ballet debut this upcoming weekend as the title character in *The Nutcracker* at the Northern Lights Pavilion. A native of Chile, Rojas has been living in the area for the past two years and recently began teaching hip-hop classes.

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**I have a lot of pressure to live up to, it's a big role.**

— Gustavo Rojas on playing the Nutcracker

"I've been learning it for the past couple of weeks and I really like it," said Rojas. "Ballet has meaning to it and you just have

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# Barry, Danielsen win election in Stanhope

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

Lisa Barry and Liz Danielsen are the new councillors for Algonquin Highlands Ward 2, the former Stanhope township.

Barry and Danielsen beat out the township's retired chief administrator officer, Gerald Bain, in the Nov. 29 byelection in the ward.

The byelection was necessary after an error was made on the ballots for the ward for the Oct. 25 municipal election.

Barry, an artist and entrepreneur, was the top vote-earner on Monday, with a total of 1,211 votes; Danielsen, municipal affairs reporter for the *County Voice* garnered 1,202; and Bain won 867 votes.

"I'm pretty delighted," Barry said following her victory. "I feel like I've just been hired. I'm pretty humbled to have so much support."

Candidates and their supporters gathered at the Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall to watch the votes come in.

"I'm feeling completely bowled over," said a clearly emotional Danielsen as she arrived at the hall. "I think we did really well. I'm an outsider ... and Lisa's young and inexperienced."

Danielsen was referring to the fact that she doesn't reside in the township, but is actually a resident of Hastings County. Leasing a piece of property within Algonquin Highlands allowed her to run in the election.

"I really want to voice my appreciation for my campaign team and everyone who voted for me," she continued. "This has been a real learning experience for me and I'm excited to serve."

Bain said he was not surprised by the results, but was disappointed.

An all-candidates meeting in Stanhope on Sept. 19 made it clear that many township residents tied Bain to the controversial Stanhope Airport expansion project, since he'd been a supporter of the idea in his years as CAO and is a personal friend of outgoing Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

"I reluctantly got involved [in the election] simply because I could see it was going to be a very inexperienced council," he said. "Obviously the electorate has decided ... and I respect and appreciate the democratic process."

Between his years as treasurer and CAO of Stanhope and those as CAO of the amalgamated Algonquin Highlands township, Bain served some 30 years as a municipal staffer.

Danielsen ran based on her experience with munici-



**Chad Ingram** Times staff

**Councillor-elect for Algonquin Highlands's Ward 2, Lisa Barry, left, stands with incoming reeve Carol Moffatt at the Stanhope Community Hall following her victory in the Nov. 29 byelection.**

pal politics in her roles as both a municipal councillor and staffer for years in the Northwest Territories, as well as her knowledge of local issues through her work at the *Voice*.

Barry said her youth and vitality would bring a fresh perspective to council and also spoke of her concerns for the environment and her desire to give back to her community. Both expressed their opposition to the controversial Stanhope Airport expansion, but were adamant they were not single-issue candidates.

Bain said in his campaign he thought the airport expansion project needed to be put on hold until the township's financial situation could be thoroughly reviewed.

It is likely the controversial and unpopular expansion project, on which the township has already spent more than \$1 million in consulting, property acquisition, legal and punitive costs, will be quashed by the new council. The widely distained project, which would have built an addi-

tional 1,220-metre runway at the airport, was approved for up to two-thirds funding of \$3.6 million through the Building Canada Fund in February of 2009.

Dorset real estate agent Gordon Henderson is the acclaimed councillor for the township's Ward 1, which encompasses Dorset and areas south to Stanhope. Oxtongue Lake businessman Gary Schultz beat out incumbent Diane Griffin for councillor of Ward 3, which encompasses Oxtongue Lake and areas south to Dorset.

Carol Moffatt, who has served one term as a Ward 2 councillor and was the only member of the outgoing council to oppose the airport expansion project, won the position of reeve by acclamation.

The new council is scheduled to sit for the first time on Dec. 16.

## Frost Centre remains unoccupied since April eviction

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

It remains unclear what may happen to the abandoned Frost Centre.

The facility has sat vacant since the province shut down the fledgling Frost Centre Institute – a would-be environmental college and boarding school headed up by former IBM businessman Al Aubry – in April for the school's inability to pay its rent. While the province has said it would be accepting proposals regarding the future use of the St. Nora Lake facility, MPP Rick Johnson said last week it's too early to discuss what may happen to the Frost Centre. "It's too soon to speculate on future uses of the property," Johnson said in an email. "Ontario Realty Corporation recog-

nizes that the local municipalities are important stakeholders and has had initial discussions to receive their input on the future of this significant community asset."

However, Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison said her township, in which the centre is located, hasn't heard from the province regarding the centre since a brief meeting in the spring when the township was notified the Frost Centre Institute would be closing.

"That was some time ago," Harrison said. "No one's heard a word." It appears the province may also be looking at selling the property. "ORC has also started analyzing options for review and consideration," Johnson wrote.

Harrison said that if the province decides to sell the property, it is likely that the township or the county would get first dibs, but she didn't see buying the facility as a viable option for either the lower- or upper-tier local government.

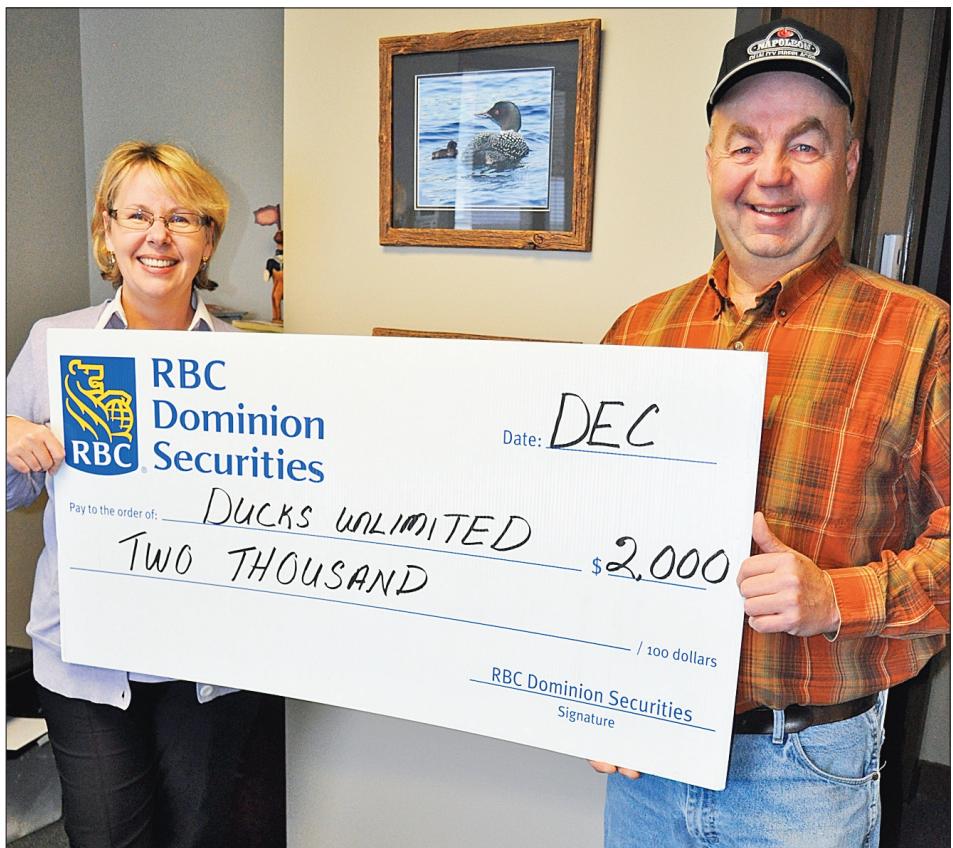
"I don't think that's a realistic option," she said, adding that some of the facility's buildings are quite old.

Aubry said the centre's buildings cost about \$250,000 a year to heat. The Frost Centre Institute had been open for nearly three years when the province shut it down.

"The government has a responsibility to ensure that taxpayers' money is spent in a fiscally prudent and accountable manner," Johnson said of the decision to shut down the school. The province lost a "significant" amount of money in unpaid rent, he said in the spring.

For years the Frost Centre operated as a Ministry of Natural Resources facility, before being closed in 2004.

Johnson said he would personally like to see the facility utilized. "Ideally, I want to see a plan in place that will have the Frost Centre up and running," he said. "It's an important asset to our region."



### RBC preserving wetlands

Beth O'Connor, left, of RBC Dominion Securities presents a cheque for \$2,000 to Jerry Walker, founding member of the Haliburton and Minden chapters of Ducks Unlimited and a national board member of the organization.

The money, says Walker, will be put towards the organization's fundraising efforts, which included a dinner held in the county last month.

"This is a first time donation to an unbelievably great cause and hopefully the first of many more," said O'Connor of RBC's contribution. Angelica Blenich Echo staff



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# Chamber moving office to Haliburton

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

As of February 2011, the office of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce will no longer be located in Minden, instead finding a new home on Highland Street in Haliburton.

The announcement was made by chamber president Nick Lawrence on Dec. 2 at the organization's monthly breakfast event held at McKecks.

Reasons for the move, said Lawrence, came down to economics and logistics.

"Our lease is almost up at our current space," said Lawrence. "The space was costly and we began looking at how we can become more centrally located to better serve the eastern part of the county."

As of Feb. 1, 2011, the chamber will be located at 195 Highland Street, in the lower level of the Village Barn.

Lawrence reminded those in attendance that the Haliburton Highlands branch of the organization held its inaugural meeting at Wigamog resort, located in Haliburton, in 1936. The breakfast also included special guest speaker Don Koppin, president of the Haliburton County Home Builders' Association.

Koppin spoke to the nature of the homebuilders organization and their role within the county.

"Over the past number of years our association has been organizing a number of community initiatives such as the annual charity hockey tournament, the toy drive and golf tournament," said Koppin. "We have also facilitated workshops and recently introduced our Renomark program, dealing with issues around renovations. This is what we're

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**We began looking at how we can become more centrally located to better serve the eastern part of the county.**

— Nick Lawrence

about." Gord Bell of Cottage-Resort.com spoke on the topic of social media and how it can be used to improve business for tourism operators.

The owner and operator of Beauview Cottage Resort in Huntsville, Bell discussed how tools such as Facebook, Twitter and YouTube can result in a greater Internet presence and more returning customers.

"You want to begin by lurking on the Internet and finding out what people are saying about your business and your competition," said Bell. "Next you'll want to begin by either creating a monthly newsletter, starting a blog or by setting up a Facebook account."

Bell reinforced the importance of embracing social media and updating blogs, websites and Facebook accounts regularly. "Blogs and newsletters must have news and useful information," said Bell. "Twitter is a great resource for pointing people to your website. It acts like a news ticker."

"Similarly YouTube is a great way to take photos and videos of your business and post them to a wider audience. Facebook is a great place for guests to share their experiences with photos and videos."



**Angelica Blenich** Echo staff

Gord Bell, left and Don Koppin were the guest speakers at the monthly Chamber of Commerce breakfast held at McKecks on Dec. 2.

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# Showcase of talent raises funds for flood victims

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

An all-female choir, a country act and a beloved organist.

These were just a few of the talented acts that performed at the West Guilford Community Centre on Dec. 3 to raise more than \$600 for flood victims in Pakistan.

Organized by local resident Eleanor Cooper, A Night of Talent was the second annual fundraiser with all proceeds donated to the Red Cross.

Hosted by Master of Ceremonies Roxanne Casey, the goal of the event was made evident early on.

"We're here to help the people in Pakistan from the floods," said Casey. "The United Nations has rated the floods in Pakistan as the greatest humanitarian crisis in recent history with more people affected than the South-East Asian tsunami and the recent earthquakes in Kashmir and Haiti combined."

Casey informed those present that 20 million people have been affected by the floods.

The night began with three excerpts from *The Nutcracker* danced by the Haliburton cast of the ballet.

Following the dances a string of musical performances filled the night including fiddle ensemble Simply Befuddled and violist Margaret Milne.

Introduced by Casey as "the most famous organist in the world," Bill Gliddon delighted audience members with a number of tunes, on the keyboard, including the song "If I were a rich man."

Gliddon humbly told the crowd it had been years since he played the piano however his talent was evident from the moment the first key was tapped.

One of the evening's highlights came from Outloud Womyn's Voices.

Under the direction of Beth Johns, the group's founder, the all-female choir sang tunes such as "Siyahamba," "Circle Chant," "Come Now Everybody" and "Julian of Norwich."

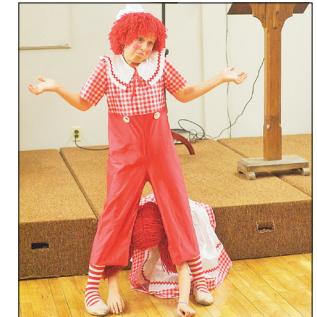
According to Johns, the group, which has been together for 11 years, is open to anyone and everyone regardless of vocal ability and meets every Tuesday evening in Carnarvon at the Zion United Church.

The evening's itinerary was rounded out with



Above, musical trio Simply Befuddled played to the crowd.

At right, dancers from *The Nutcracker* perform a scene from the ballet during the event.



At left, the Outloud Womyn's Voices choir performed during the Pakistan flood relief fundraiser held at the West Guilford Community Centre on Dec. 3. The event raised more than \$600 to be donated to the Red Cross.

a special performance from six members of Algonquin Brass who performed a variety of holiday classics and a performance from Wayne Cooper who closed the evening by playing the national anthem of Pakistan.

"Despite our efforts more help is needed," said Casey at the conclusion of the program. "On behalf of Eleanor Cooper and everyone who performed here tonight we thank you from the bottom of our hearts."

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# Crisis calls up at YWCA Women's Centre

**Jenn Watt**

Editor

Calls to the county's women's centre have been steadily increasing over the last three years from those looking for a way out of abusive situations, the YWCA outreach services coordinator says. In the 2009/2010 fiscal year, the organization logged 624 calls from women in crisis or looking for support, up nine per cent from the year before.

Now, half way through the 2010/2011 year, it

seems likely there will be more calls than ever by year's end.

"In the first six months of our 2010-2011 fiscal year (April 1 to Sept. 30) we responded to 422 crisis and support calls," Darlene Smith-Harrison wrote in an email to the *Echo*.

Smith-Harrison hopes the increase has more to do with education, outreach and awareness of local resources than a rise in abusive situations.

"I'm hoping that people are becoming more aware of the YWCA and I'm hoping that more

women are questioning the alternatives and wanting to seek out that information," she said in an interview.

Staff saw more than 200 women in the county in the last year.

Aside from telephone crisis support, there is also counselling services, help with housing, educational programming for students and well-being workshops.

There is also one "safe space" unit available for women and their children who need an emergency place to stay with plans for another unit in the works. "We can only have one family at a time. In the next four months or so we're hoping to expand that and have two units available," Smith-Harrison said.

According to statistics from the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the OPP, there have been 147 domestic violence incidents reported

in 2010 resulting in 58 charges.

In 2009, 158 incidents were reported to police with 70 charges. Of those, the man was a victim 17 times and the woman 60 times.

In her 25 years of experience, Smith-Harrison said there have been big improvements in the way domestic violence is treated by police.

"Mandatory charging is one of the changes that I've seen. Back 25 years ago police could walk into a situation and it was seen more as a domestic situation, as a private matter, and they would turn to the victim and say, 'would you like us to charge him? You really don't want us to take him to jail, do you?' and say this in front of the kids. So that was a huge change," she said.

The YWCA's crisis line can be reached at 1-800-461-7656, 24-hours a day. A list of their services can also be found at [www.ywcapeterborough.org](http://www.ywcapeterborough.org) under the "Haliburton County" tab.

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### Nomination for Awards Category

Small Business of the Year  
(1-25 Employees, Member of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, in business for 3+ years)  
• Large Business of the Year  
(26+ Employees, Member of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, in business for 3+ years)  
• New Business of the Year (in business 3 years or less)  
• Not-For-Profit Business of the Year (in business for 3+ years)  
• Skilled Trades Award <sup>\*new\*</sup>  
• Innovation and Creativity Business Award <sup>\*new\*</sup>  
• Young Entrepreneur of the Year (35 yrs & under)  
• Highlander of the Year  
• Customer Service of the Year

Note: Award of the Year (selected by the Warden of Haliburton County) and Youth of the Year (selected by the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School) are not nominated awards.

### Nominee Information:

Company/Organization/Individual: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_  
# of Employees: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in Operation: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nomination Submitted by:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company/Organization/Individual: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Nominee aware of this Award? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

In 100 words or more, please describe why you feel this Company/Organization/Individual should be nominated. The selection committee will consider performance and achievement for 2010 in any of, but not limited to, the following areas. Attach extra pages if necessary.

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Significant Business Achievement

Sales and/or Employment Growth and Technological Advancement

Excellence in Community Relations/Contribution

Environmental Consciousness

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**NOMINATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 10th, 2010**

The Chamber does not disclose the name of the nominator. Nomination must be accepted by the nominee before being presented to the nomination committee.

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### Business Achievement Awards

#### Small Business of the Year

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#### Large Business of the Year

The nominee is a profit-centered business which have been in operation in the County of Haliburton for 3 years or more and have 26 employees or more. Please review the list of criteria for key factors to be used to measure the accomplishments of the nominees for the Large Business of the Year Award. Note that these are for reference only and should apply during 2009 and must be a current member of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce

#### New Business of the Year (Under 3 Years)

This award is for profit centered businesses which have been in operation in the County of Haliburton for 3 years or less. Please review the list of criteria for key factors to be used to measure the accomplishments of the nominees for the New Business of the Year Award. Note that these are for reference only and should apply during 2009.

#### Skilled Trades <sup>\*\*new for 2010\*\*</sup>

The nominees will be a business judged on excellence in some or all of the following categories: trade skills development, quality, craftsmanship, outstanding service, excellence in innovation in product or service, sustainable financial performance or market/ product development.

#### Innovation and Creativity Award <sup>\*\*new for 2010\*\*</sup>

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#### Not-For-Profit Business of the Year

This award recognizes the contribution that Not-For-Profit Organizations make to the County of Haliburton. The Award will be presented to an organization that has been in business more than 3 years and follow the same standard list of criteria as the other awards.

#### Young Entrepreneur of the Year (35 Years and Under)

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#### Customer Service of the Year

This award is for Customer Service centered businesses, which have been in operation in the County of Haliburton for 3 years or more. This award recognizes both innovation and exceptional performance resulting in quality service to customers. This business would provide customer with choices in both sources of services and the means of delivery, making information, services and complaint systems easily accessible. An example of an exceptional performance may include compassion and caring that goes well beyond expectations for customer service. Note that these are for reference only and should apply during 2009.

#### Community Achievement Awards

##### Highlander of the Year

The Highlander of the Year Award recognizes the contributions and community leadership demonstrated by individuals for the benefit of the Haliburton Highlands. Any resident of the Highlands who has made outstanding contributions to the community in the areas of art, culture, heritage, community services, community economic development or the environment are eligible for nomination. The Highlander of the Year is a community booster and a true Ambassador for the Haliburton Highlands.

##### Youth of the Year

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##### Warden Award of the Year

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The Highlands Swing Band joined in on the festive fun during the concert at the pavilion on Dec. 5.

## Wind symphony presents Christmas show

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

It was an afternoon performance with a little bit of music for all tastes at the Northern Lights Pavilion on Dec. 5 as the Highlands Wind Symphony presented its 12th annual Christmas concert to a packed house.

Featuring a few samples of traditional holiday melodies, such as "Frosty the Snowman" and "Winter Wonderland," the concert focused on the untraditional by showcasing local talent in various forms.

Conducted by Glen Carter and Lorie Reddering, the Highlands Wind Symphony treated the audience to Olympic fanfare with "The Olympic Spirit" and "Bugler's Dream," two well-known arrangements from past Olympic Games.

Local musician Carl Dixon stole the spotlight during his performance with both his musical ability and quick wit.

With guitar in hand, Dixon performed two new songs from his recently released CD *Lucky Dog*, the first called

"It's a Wonder" and the other titled "Joy in the Morning." Dixon also performed his oft-requested melody "Look for me in Dreamland," written for his two daughters years ago while he was on the road performing and away from home.

However Dixon's real talent shone through near the end of the concert as he performed a simple yet delicate version of "O Holy Night."

The Highlands Swing Band continued on with the theme of untraditional by performing "Georgia on My Mind," "All The Things You Are" and "Caravan." Chantreuse Jerelyn Craden made a special vocal performance with the band on the melody "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas."

Seasonal selections found their way into the program through songs such as "A Christmas Collage," "The Carolers" and "Wenceslas Variations."

With numerous solos, harmonious notes, radiant smiles and quick-witted cracks made throughout the show, it was difficult to tell who was enjoying the concert more between the audience and those on the stage.



Local chantreuse Jerelyn Craden sang the traditional holiday tune 'Have Yourself a Merry Christmas' and was accompanied by the Highlands Swing Band.

Like spending an afternoon with good company, the annual concert reminded all of the true joy and delights of the season.



Janice Harding saw these two birds by Kennisis Lake: the male evening grosbeak, left, and the female on the right.



Jan McMaster took this photo of two of the "three amigos" – three tom turkeys – who regularly "come to our feeder every morning and clean it out. It is hilarious to watch them perch on the deck railing pecking at the swinging feeder!"



Janice Hardy caught a glimpse of this pine siskin in Kennisis Lake.

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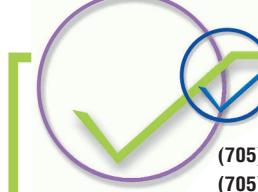
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# Point in Time begins mental health training

Dr. John Lyons, professor and endowed chairman of child and youth mental health research at the University of Ottawa and the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario, spent two days, Nov. 24 to 25, training staff from a number of local organizations who serve children and youth in Haliburton County.

Participants from Haliburton-Kawartha Children's Aid society, Trillium Lakelands District School Board, Adult Mental Health, Ontario Early Years Centre, SIRCH, Children's Services Council, Ministry of Children and Youth Services staff and Point in Time learned about leading edge and evidence-based practices for working with children and youth with mental health issues.

Lyons has written six books and more than 200 articles. The techniques that he has developed including outcome strategies are being used across six continents. As part of his research and ongoing work he has reviewed more than 20,000 case files across North America.

Marg Cox, executive director of the lead agency for this project - Point in Time Centre for Children Youth and Parents - commented "John is a world-renowned expert in the field of children and youth mental health. We are very lucky to have access to his knowledge and expertise as part of the Working Together for Kids' Mental Health Project. He is training us on tools to help reach children and youth with mental health issues sooner and with proven accuracy. He is also sharing with us the best ways of matching help to the issue at hand."

Haliburton is one of four areas in the province selected for the implementation of Working Together for Kids' Mental Health. With one in five children or youth experiencing mental health challenges, there is a great need for service providers to work closely together.

Over a two-year period the project will use focus groups, interviews, discussions and questionnaires to obtain the perspectives of all participants in the system, including youth and parents.

The regional office of the Ministry of Children and Youth Services will work with Point in Time and local planning groups to support and manage the collection of information. The Haliburton project will then be used to inform provincial decisions and future changes to the system.

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Point in Time staff received special training in mental health issues Nov. 24 and 25.  
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# Sports



## Hawks outmanned, not outgunned

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

The Red Hawks hockey team is showing their dominance despite being outmanned.

Even with close to one more full line, the Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School Griffins (1-0-2) could not keep pace with the Red Hawks (2-0-0), losing in an anti-climatic game in Haliburton on Friday, Dec. 3.

Haliburton outpaced the visiting Griffins 7-1.

The Red Hawks struck first with a pair of goals by forward Mark Vasey, separated by less than a minute. Forward Brett Yake figured in on both goals with Aaron Hillier assisting on the second.

Vasey's goal stood as the eventual game winner, as the Griffins captain Tyler Lafonte scored the team's only goal seconds into the third period.

The shot from behind the faceoff dot handcuffed Red Hawks rookie goalie Zach Harrison and was the only blemish to a steady performance.

Despite the three-goal deficit, 4-1, Haliburton jumped into another gear, fore-checking and pushing the pace of the game, energized, getting on loose pucks and finishing their checks in the final frame.

Following the Griffins goal Keaton Gadway picked the pocket of a Griffins defenceman to find a clear break and an insurance goal with a clean deke, finishing off with a backhand along the ice past the sprawling keeper 5-1.

With less than three minutes, Gadway added his second goal of the game and the team total was rounded out by Ian Bottum's

Clockwise, left, Red Hawks forward Keaton Gadway, who finished with three points (two goals and an assist) pulls the puck past the Griffins goalie; Red Hawks defenceman Chris Hall ties up a Griffins player after a shot; Haliburton players, left, Carson Roberts and Keaton Gadway celebrate a goal at the second game of the season on Friday, Dec. 3. Haliburton won 7-1 and remain undefeated through two games. Photos by Darren Lum

goal.

Coach Ron Yake said the team was logging lots of ice time, but their superior skill level was integral to the team's ability to cope with the shortened bench.

The Griffins iced 15 skaters versus the Red Hawks' 11 skaters.

Normally the team has 10 forwards and five defencemen, but were missing five players: Brandon Yake, Zack Boice and Jordan Howe to sore shoulder concerns while Ashton Haley and Greg Clements missed Friday's game to personal obligations.

On the other side, the visiting Griffins, who had three full lines, said they were missing their assistant captain, forward Derek Manly to a personal obligation.

Both teams played an efficient, disciplined game, ending well under two hours and finished with three penalties each (although a small skirmish did break out with less than a minute in the game in front of the Haliburton net).

Yake led all scorers with four points (a goal and three assists), Gadway finished with three points (two goals and an assist), Vasey and Bottum each finished with a pair of goals, Carson Roberts had a pair of assists while Scott Griffith, Chad LaRue and Hillier added assists.

Special mention to the defensive pairing of Drew Paul and Chris Judge, who were effective on both ends of the ice, keeping second shots to a minimum and joining the rush for scoring chances.

Haliburton's next game is on the road against the Adam Scott Collegiate Vocational Institute today.

The next home game is scheduled against St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 13.



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# Exhibition of skills in first tournament

Darren Lum  
Staff reporter

It was a promising start for the junior girls' Red Hawks volleyball team in their first game action of the season.

Haliburton, who finished with two wins for a pair of split decisions, good enough for two points, hosted the first of a series of rally-point exhibition Kawartha West tournaments for Fenelon Falls Secondary School, I.E. Weldon Secondary School, Brock High School, St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School and Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute on Thursday, Dec. 1. The Red Hawks finished tied for sixth



with I.E. Weldon.

The remaining exhibition tournaments are going to be hosted by the other Kawartha West teams.

On a day when serves ruled the scoring scheme, the Red Hawks will be looking to improve their percentage in practices, including an emphasis on drills and skill building to improve blocking and offensive ball placement, the coach said.

"They played really well, working well together. We learned things we need to improve and do better on next time. Overall they showed a lot of heart and never gave up. They just kept going through it ... they were wonderful," she said.

Strong performances came from second-year player and last year's MVP, Sarah Comer, team setter, Meghan LaPierre, who was effective at the net, Natasha Bradley, a scoring dynamo at the net and the serving line, who was this past week's Athlete of the Week, rookies Cassandra Hobden, another setter, demonstrated great composure, blocking and scoring at the net against volleyball power Fenelon, and another rookie setter Hayley Moore showed great prowess at the net and serving.

The team's other setter is Kelsi Eno and the balance of the team is Charlene Hicks, Shelby Elstone and Holly Broderick. The other rookies on the team are Cassidy Havill, Maggie Scheffee, Daryl Woodley and Jillian Hawley.

The coaching staff includes Jenn Mills, Jessica Lloyd and Susan van Luik.

Fenelon showed they are the team to beat with an undefeated record, winning all five games for the upcoming qualifying Kawartha tournament on Feb. 10.

The team's next exhibition tournament is today on the road against Brock.

Left, Red Hawks Sarah Comer bump passes to her setter off of a received serve, Red Hawks Cassandra Hobden blocks an attempt by a Fenelon Falls Secondary School's attempt to score during an exhibition tournament game hosted by Haliburton on Thursday, Dec. 2. Photos by Darren Lum

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# Hawks continue winning ways

Darren Lum  
Staff reporter

The Red Hawks carried on from their home opener win, capturing the fifth annual Capital High School Hockey Tournament at the Bell Sensplex on the past weekend.

Haliburton went undefeated through the round robin, winning all five games, outscoring the competition by eight goals.

They completed their tournament domination against the Louis Riel Rebels with a 3-2 win in overtime in the final.

The final game ended with a dramatic, come-from-behind, overtime goal scored by Keaton Gadway.

Rookie goalies Zach Harrison, who finished with a 2.00 goals against average (GAA), and Andi Elia, who finished with a 2.50 GAA, were both undefeated in the two games they played in the round robin.

Forward Ian Bottum and Brett Yake were the top Haliburton scorers with six points (each with three goals and three assists), good enough to make the top-five scorers.

However Haliburton employed a balanced attack. There were three other Red Hawks players (Mark Vasey, Scott Griffith, and Ashton Haley) tied with five points to finish among the top-10 of scorers.

Hosted by Holy Trinity Catholic High School, the tournament included 26 boys' and girls' teams from across Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia.

- with files from Ron Yake

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# Red Hawks take down gold

Haliburton wrestlers Gage Shelly, Cody Cox and Dylan Graham win in Peterborough while Mike Mazara, Bailey Walker, Maia O'Sullivan and Tara O'Sullivan win in Ajax

*The following are Haliburton Highlands Secondary School sports briefs*

## Friday, Nov. 26

The senior boys' basketball team defeated Fenelon Falls in exhibition play with a 37 - 32 victory.

Luke Watson scored 15 points and 15 rebounds for his second double-double of the season, leading the way. Chris Allison had 13 points and five steals and Justin Leveley had eight rebounds and four points.

The junior boys' basketball team played an intensive, back and forth game against Fenelon Falls but were defeated 33-28.

Zack Cox scored 14 points and pulled down 14 rebounds for his first double-double of the season.

## Wednesday, Dec. 1

The Red Hawks wrestling team travelled to Peterborough where they won 60 per cent of their matches at the first tournament of the season. Keith Burley and Taylor Dair each placed third in their weight classes.

Congratulations to Gage Shelly, Cody Cox, and Dylan Graham on their gold medal performances.

The senior girls' volleyball team travelled to LCVI to play

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in their first tourney of the year. The girls worked hard and proved to be a great contender amongst AA rivals Brock and St. Thomas, winning a set against last year's Kawartha champs.

## Thursday, Dec. 2

The veteran wrestlers competed at the Ajax tournament and posted some impressive results. Bringing home gold medals were Mike Mazara, Bailey Walker, Tara O'Sullivan and Maia O'Sullivan. Kayla Gardiner earned silver, while Lily Coneybeare and Caitlyn Griffin earned bronze. Special mention to Greg Baumgartner who only lost one match in a tough class.

The senior boys' basketball team defeated the St. Thomas Trojans by a score of 52-34. Jesse Lefebvre and Luke Watson had 14 points apiece, and Damon Flatman had 11 points.

The junior boys' basketball team earned a convincing victory over the St. Thomas squad.

- with files from Judi Paul's class

## Red Hawks of the week

HHSS Athletes of the week for Nov. 29th to Dec. 3rd

Natasha Bradley - junior girls volleyball - showstopper  
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# Atom AEs reach regional Silver Stick finals

## Final Score: 3-1 Collingwood

Next Games: Wednesday, Dec. 8 in Bancroft, Saturday, Dec. 11 at 4 p.m. against Huntsville and on Sunday, Dec. 12 against Gravenhurst in Rama at 3 p.m.

Can you imagine scoring only three goals in three games and making it to the semi-final in a Silver Stick Tournament? That's exactly what happened as the boys skated to three gruelling one-goal games on Saturday to make it to the semi-final the next day. In fact, all four games leading to the final were decided by only one goal.

The first game against Collingwood looked destined to end in a scoreless tie. The teams traded chance after chance but Carson Sisson stoned Collingwood repeatedly with some magnificent saves. But as the clock ticked down to only seven seconds left, Collingwood burst through the defense, scrambled the puck in front and stabbed home the winner.

It was a heartbreaking way to start the day, but the boys rallied for their next game against Stirling and came out with all cylinders firing. A nice feed by Aidan Garbutt broke Ben Schmidt free to score the first goal but Stirling proved to be resilient and quickly tied it up. With only 14 seconds left in the first though, Trevor Turner banged in the rebound off a shot by Ryan Prentice and the boys were able to secure a lead that they would not again relinquish.

The final game on Saturday, although not a classic by any stretch, was enough to secure a birth in the semi-final the next day. It was a long day, and it showed, with both teams seemingly stuck in quicksand through whole game. One goal from Ben Schmidt and a good night sleep were all the team needed to ensure they were ready for the semi-final



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

The Highland Storm Atom hockey team battled it out against the Collingwood Blackhawks in the championship game on Dec. 5 in the Silver Stick Hockey Tournament held at the Dysart arena. The Storm defeated the Port Hope Phantoms with an overtime victory in the semi-finals to advance to the championships but lost to the Blackhawks by a final score of 3 to 1.

on Sunday. Carson Sisson was the star of the day, making some absolutely stellar saves and letting in only two goals over the three games.

And what a semi-final it was! The boys looked refreshed and ready to go and they started strong against a tough Port Hope squad. Their passing was phenomenal as was evidenced by a supreme give-and-go goal by Shawn Walker and Trevor Turner to get the game rolling. Alex Petrie gave the boys a two-goal lead with a shot that took an odd bounce in front and somehow found its way to the back

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of the net. But suddenly the momentum shifted entirely in Port Hope's favour. Constant pressure and being forced to kill off several penalties frustrated the team to the point where, by midway through the third period, the team found themselves down by a goal. Tensions were high, but the boys re-grouped and overcame the adversity when, with only four minutes left, Ben Schmidt broke free and wristed a beautiful shot to tie the game and carry it into overtime.

Overtime starts with three on three and Shawn Walker has made a habit of scoring key goals when our team has only three players on the ice. The period started with the pressure in Port Hope's favour but a blocked shot from the point bounced up to Shawn Walker and he skated in alone to score the winner to the deafening roar of the crowd.

The boys met the Collingwood squad again in the final and although they fought hard, they struggled to find the energy that carried them past Port Hope. In a penalty-

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# Santy Claus and the Fruit Cake Bake-off, don'tcha know

Well if there isn't snow on the ground today, just in time for our Lake WhaddyathinImean Santy Claus Parade and Fruit Cake Bake-off, don'tcha know.

Why right now, Twindle Mumbly is putting the last bit of topping on his 64-ingredient Santa's-Gonna-Get-Fatter award-winning treat. How he gets all that in there is beyond ol' Maybelle, but he's been our top Lake W bake-off Meister ever since Scotch Burbun drowned in his own 100 proof rum-soaked fruit cake.

Why, bells are a-ringing, tinsel's a-flyin', and the little ones are putting extra stamps on their cards and letters to the big guy in the red suit.

But best of all ... everybody here in Lake WhaddyathinkImean is making presents for the wee ones just in case Santa has to lay off some of his elves and reindeer, don'tcha know.

Why even Vilma Yuccch has been tie-dying blue jeans and running shoes in sizes really teeny to humungus, the biggest bein' for Bogart, don'tcha know. Course being a bear and all, he probably won't want to wear anything on his feet, although he does like flopping around in sandals in the cottage. But her psycho-dellic blue jeans just might tickle his fanny ... especially if they're too tight.

And how lucky we are having Vilma's heartthrob, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom, making all kinds of presents with his amazing new invention, the Stanley McBottom Bigger-Than-Anything-You-Can-Imagine-And-Then-Some machine.

Why right after the Santy Claus Parade, we're all going to the Fruit Cake Bake-off INSIDE a gingerbread house! That's right. McB, believing that anything is possible, turned a regular size fully decorated gingerbread house into the size of our Lake W curling rink, don'tcha know. Course he had to replace the jelly bean door knob with a real one cause it was too big to turn.

And oh, the sweet smell of it! Gingerbread walls, gingerbread ceiling, gingerbread floor. Just hope the kids don't start eating it before the snow lets up.

As for the parade . Beanpole Starkman's

*Maybelle's*



**Fireside stories**

Tiger Moth biplane is aiming to be a sure-fire hit! Why he got Jeremy Cullers' son, Jeremiah, and his friends, Nicholby and Ransom to help him paint and decorate it, don'tcha know. And with the help of Officer McB's other new invention, the Stanley McBottom Tiger Moth Biplane Christmas Decoration Machine they've got a gazillion lights twinkling, twirling, and singing "Santa Baby!"

Now you all know ol' Maybelle's a gal who thinks a glass of milk is half full not half empty...well, there's one more thing that's making my heart pop. Twindle Mumbly's twin brother, Stix Tooya, drummer with the rock group, Gastritis, and his whole band are here to play "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" at our Lake W tree lighting ceremony just before the parade starts on Main Street. And I can hardly wait to see them.

Gastritis' bass player, Cliff Hanger, keyboard player, Bow Wow Epstein, guitarist, Shlemmy Kugelblintz, and my good friend, lead singer, Beans Bendel will all be there.

*Hello very much.*

Beans??? Oh my goodyness, Beans Bendel is here. *How did you get in here?*

*Through that little door there.*

*Why I was just writing about you in my column.*

*Well that is making me very happy, because I came here to wish you very much happiness in this holly jolly season and fruit cake that makes your eyes glow.*

*Why thank you, Beans. And may all your chappatis be big ones.*

And to all of you who are reading this right now ... may your heart be as warm as pudding, your feet be as warm as toast, and may you know the peace and joy of kind words and an extended hand...*yours*, don'tcha know.

*Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. You can hear Fireside Stories on 100.9 Canoe FM the second Saturday of the month and read Maybelle's blog at: firesidestories.com.*

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The notion of staging vehicle crashes in order to cash in on insurance payouts is not new, and there are several documented cases of scam artists operating in this manner.

Although most of the blatant abuse comes

The reason insurance gets more expensive, is that it's being taken advantage off by people who treat it like a paycheque.

A recent case in Ontario saw an insurer successfully sue an insured to recover \$150,000 paid out in an insurance claim.

## Notices



### MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

Roads Department  
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#### WINTER PARKING

The Municipality of Dysart et al has new winter parking regulations prohibiting the parking of vehicles on any municipal road from November 1 until April 15 between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 A.M. Vehicles found in contravention of this regulation will be subject to a \$50.00 fine and/or may be towed at the owner's expense.

In addition, vehicles found parked on municipal roads interfering with the removal of snow, sanding or road maintenance will be subject to a \$200.00 fine and/or may be towed at the owner's expense in accordance with By-law No. 2010-42.

Brian Nicholson  
Roads Superintendent

Matthew Aldom  
By-law Officer

#### DEPOSITING SNOW ON ROADWAYS

The Highway Traffic Act R.S.O. 1990, C. H.8, S. 181 states: "No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or road authority responsible for maintenance of the road." The penalty on conviction is a fine of \$105.00.

Staff Sgt. Malcolm Quigley  
Detachment Commander  
Haliburton Highlands O.P.P.

in the form of isolated incidents mostly in tourist-happy places in the U.S., there are instances of people loading up a van with several passengers paid to basically fake injuries in a crash situation. A damage reporting centre and sympathetic legal and medical service providers take care of providing the necessary paperwork and the insured basically collects thousands of dollars in insurance claims while doling out a pittance to participants for their slight inconveniences in time.

The cost is borne by the rest of us motorists who happen to live in the same area, usually for the rest of our insurable lives.

It was good to see an insurance broker actually go after abusers of the system, rather than just rolling over and saying "just pay it out. We'll recover the money in no time anyway from the premiums of others."

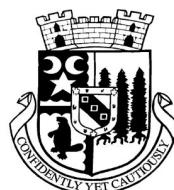
Hopefully, more will follow suit.

For more auto news go to [www.autonet.ca](http://www.autonet.ca).



### County of Haliburton Inaugural Session of County Council

The Council of the County of Haliburton wishes to provide PUBLIC NOTICE that the Inaugural Session of Haliburton County Council will take place on Tuesday, December 14th, 2010 commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the County Administration Building located at 11 Newcastle Street in Minden. The public is welcome to attend.  
Tamara Wilbee, County Clerk



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#### SEEKING MEMBERS FOR VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The Municipality of Dysart et al is seeking members for the following Boards and Committees:

##### Museum Board of Management

The Museum Board of Management is appointed by Council to assist in the restoration, maintenance, operation and management of the Museum. The Board is comprised of seven (7) members of whom one (1) member shall be a member of Council. The Board operates according to the procedures set out in the establishing by-law.

##### Head Lake Trail Committee

The Head Lake Trail Committee is appointed by Council to oversee and manage the Head Lake Trail Network, which consists of the Head Lake Trail and attached trail spurs in and around the Haliburton Village. The Committee is comprised of seven (7) members of whom two (2) shall be members of Council. The Committee operates according to its Terms of Reference.

##### Committee of Adjustment

The Committee of Adjustment is appointed by Council to consider and where deemed appropriate, grant variances from any by-law that implements the Dysart Official Plan (including the Zoning By-law). The Committee is comprised of three (3) members from the general public and a minimum of four (4) members of Council. Members from the general public will serve on the Committee for this four (4) year term of Council. The Committee operates according to the procedures set out in the establishing by-law.

Further information for these Boards and Committees can be obtained on the Municipality's website or at the Municipal Office.

Individuals interested in becoming members may submit a letter with an enclosed resume to the undersigned by Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Appointments to these Boards and Committees will be made by Council at their January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.,  
CAO/Clerk.  
Email: [tmckelvey@dysartetal.ca](mailto:tmckelvey@dysartetal.ca)

# Many Christmas programs

## Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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Must be December. The snow-covered fields and forests are natural works of art. Several Christmas cards have already arrived to remind me that the holiday season is upon us.

And such a delicious variety of Christmas programs abound for one to sample.

Next Sunday, Dec. 12 at 4 p.m. the people of St. Margaret's Church will have the welcome mat out for people to join in its 90th anniversary celebrations. There will definitely be carols sung as there likely were in 1920. Music director Elsie Lewis has an ecumenical choir ready. Mark Bramham is warming up his trumpet. Bill Gliddon and some of the choir from St. George's Haliburton and Bethany Houghton, cellist, will be part of the late afternoon service. Should be a joyous time. There will be refreshments following the service. By the way, the regular service will still be at 11:15 a.m. as well.

The Full Gospel Church presented their Sunday School Concert on Sunday, Nov. 28. It was a fine program with the children performing very well.

Not only was Wilberforce represented in the North Hastings Community Choir's concert this past Saturday and Sunday, others from the village were spotted in the audience as well. The Village Playhouse in Bancroft was sold out for the entertaining performances of a program entitled "Christmas Bells Are Ringing." Voices rang out along with occasional bells in a varied program led by director Melissa Stephens accompanied by pianist Rod Moffitt. The concert included soloists Katie Lunney and Sarah Fraser and flutist Jennifer Canning.

The audiences were treated to numbers both secular and those that told the real Christmas message. They ranged from "African Noel," "The Light Comes Down" and "Believe" to "Rockin' Round The Christmas Tree." Familiar pieces

such as "Jingle Bells" and "Frosty The Snowman" had special arrangements that kept the listeners alert.

The finale from which the concert took its title, "Christmas Bells Are Ringing" was a medley that included one of my favourites "Ding Dong Merrily On High." And an encore turned out to be another highlight. A combination of "Away In A Manager" and "Amazing Grace," it was a lovely way to end a Christmas program.

Excitement is growing for the arrival of Santa Claus in the village next Sunday, Dec. 12. We hear the Loop Troupe has a group ready to parade. The school is planning an interesting entry, in anticipation of the school's 100th anniversary in 2011. They will have an old fashioned school room decorated for Christmas on their float. The parade starts at the school at 12:30 and proceeds to the Lloyd Watson Centre. A lot of fun stuff is always on there and topping it off is a time for the children to meet with St. Nick.

Did you have a hard time finding a parking spot in downtown Wilberforce on Saturday? What fun to have so many folk out and about all day. Between a hockey tournament at the arena and a very busy craft sale and lunch at the Lloyd Watson Centre there was lots of action for all. While the youngsters played hard on the ice, shoppers enjoyed checking out a good variety of well-crafted items across the street. The Wilberforce Heritage Guild extends sincere appreciation to all who booked tables at the sale. The proceeds will be used for programs and improvements at the Red Cross Outpost Historic House. St. Margaret's women greatly appreciated all the folks who enjoyed the refreshments they were serving throughout the day. The winner of the hand-woven table runner created and donated by Wendy Bateman was Don Fleming of Wilberforce. The afghan created and donated by Doreen Gainforth was won by Hailey Dubois of Surrey, B.C. The festive plates donated by Sandy Hall were won by Lacey MacDonald Moore of Brantford. The laughing Santa donated to the W.H. Guild by Cathy Agnew went home with Rick Moodie. The beautiful Christmas bears are now at home with Don Sanderson. Congratulations to all.

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# Awards aplenty

## Legion br. 624

Mel Smith

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We have just had our Honours and Awards Night at the Wilberforce Legion. President Mary Dunn and first vice president Margrett Maguire were on hand to hand out the awards:

Past officers medals and bars: Debbie Black - secretary - medal and bar. Robert Clarke - veterans service officer - medal and bar. Terri Clarke - poppy - medal and bar. Mary Dunne - Sports - medal and bar. Brian Eves - ways and means - medal and bar.

Past presidents medal and bar: Bruce Rennie - second vice president - past president bar, Maple Leaf bar (two terms).

Certificate of Appreciation: William Boomhour, Daniel Cashin and Micky Maguire.

Anniversary pins:

Veterans: Micheal Skalin - 65 years.

Ordinary: Tom Coghlan - 5 years, Andrew Stephen, Mervyn Howard - 15 years, Robert Barns - 25 years, Ian Scrimgeour - 30 years.

Associate:

5 years - Susan Banner-Perkins, Timothy Brannigan, Steven Burke, Elizabeth (Lynn) Burns, Ronald Burns, Averil French, Betty Hayward, Tim Mahon, Eloise Somerville, Rhonda Stephen, Gwen Sword, and Maurice Sword.

10 years - Luanne Coghlan, John Mercer, Jean Rowe, Mel Smith, Donald Spencer.

15 years - Wayne Anonichuk, George Farr, William Saunders Jr., Steven Scott, Claude West.

20 years - Roger Walsh

25 years - Carman Coumbs, Charles Townsend

30 years - Thomas Holmes

35 years - Bill Rogers, Thomas Vaughan

Affiliate:

5 years - Debbie Black, Brad Burke, Joan Clark, William J. Debosky, Lloyd Elvidge, Gerald Hayzer, Margaret Jones, Stella Morrison, Sheila Patsolas, Jeffrey Perkins, Christopher Stelter, Owen Trefry.

10 years - John Bower Sr., Manfred Stelter.

Ladies auxillary:

Past president - Eloise Somerville

Secretary bar - Barbara Robertson

Life Member - Marg Jones

5 years: Rebecca Woollett, Terri Mowat-Smith, Linda Stickwood

10 years: Joan Mehannie, Lorraine Hughey.

15 years: Jan Simmon

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# West Guilford raises \$600

## West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278

Thanks to all who made our community centre concert a huge success for the Red Cross fundraiser Dec. 3. Two unicorns pranced delightfully before the Chinese number was danced by three other young ones, all equally expert as they gave us segments of *The Nutcracker*, thanks to Julie Barban's instruction, and who could resist the charm of those colourful young dancers? Raggedy Anne and Raggedy Andy danced their way beginning the presentation in red and white costumes and smiled their enjoyment at the audience.

We were impressed by Bill Gliddon's piano solos and by the solo on viola by Margaret Milne and also by Wayne Cooper's vocal and instrumental solos.

The country number by Jeff Barry, Doug Barry, Margaret Latimer and Don Stiver pleased the whole audience, so much that we joined Jeff in "White Sports Coat." Outloud Womyn's Voices were especially good at this, a warm up for their singing later in the program led by Beth Johns. Beth also performed Celtic music with Paul Irwin on violins accompanied by

husband Norris Turner on guitar. Beth also played French horn with Algonquin Brass which included Paul Irwin and Bob Penfold (trombones) Ken Loney (tuba) and Hugh Taylor and Bas Bouthoorn (trumpets).

Roxanne Casey did a grand job as MC and gave us the details of needs in Pakistan which is where the cheques marked Pakistan Flood 2010 are going. In all more than \$600 was raised.

Dale and Darlene McConnell recently returned from two weeks in Costa Rica where they enjoyed not only the warmth and sun but also the local hospitality of that particular area. Their son Devan, and Kevin, son of Ruthann and Brad Bryant, were included in the trip.

Welcome to Liz Jesseman who has moved from Oakville to her newly built home on Pine Lake, site of the cottage which has been holiday home for her and her parents Ed and Helen for 22 years. Liz has been an avid snowmobiler and raiser of funds by that means when needs arose. Liz is already entrenched in Guilford life via Tuesday night euchre.

Congratulations to Laurel Duncan, on the birth of her granddaughter, daughter of Page Yatemen, born Friday, Dec. 3, 2010.

We offer sympathy to the Burns family and relatives on the death of

Nadine Burns, daughter of Pat and Gladys Smith. She leaves Jamie and Richard and sisters Marilyn Laporte and Gloria Hoxie. Visitation and funeral were held in Bowmanville Dec. 3.

Euchre results from Nov. 30: High: Neva Hobden and Nick Biljetina; low: Sandy Poulton and Ray Campbell; most lone hands: Helen Jesseman and Robert McIvor.



## Coming Events

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• **Celebrate Recovery Meeting** is for everyone with hurts, habits and hang ups. Lakeside Baptist Church (9 Park Street) every Monday at 7pm. Call 457-2851

• **Parkinson's Support Group**. If you or a loved one is living with Parkinson's we'd love to have you join our support group. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at the Haliburton United Church on Pine Street in Haliburton from 1:30 to 3:30. For more info contact Janet Bottum or Barb Fraser at the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team 4-705-455-9220

• **Bereavement Group** : Minden United Church offers help to anyone who has suffered a recent loss and feels overwhelmed or helpless and alone. If this is you or if you know someone in need of help please call Donna at 286-1237 or Nancy at 286-1305.

• **Y's Archie Gently Used Boutique is open!** Located inside Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden, this Boutique is priced right, with all items less than \$3! Shop Thursdays and Fridays noon-5. Interested in volunteering? Call Sarah, Resource Development Coordinator, YWCA Haliburton County at 286-1760 ext. 28 to get involved.

• **Zechariah 4:6 Ministries Inc./Jericho Centre** will be holding a charitable fundraiser, wrapping Christmas gifts at V&S Haliburton in the front entrance every Friday 11am - 7pm and Saturday 10am - 5:00pm in December from Dec. 3 until the 24. Come and help us as we help you.

• **Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services** is currently recruiting volunteers to assist in the Adult Day Program in the following areas: Bobcaygeon, Fenloren Falls, Omemee, and Burnt River. Volunteers assist staff with programs for socially isolated seniors and people with special needs such as physical or developmental disabilities. Social, recreational and physical Activities are offered in caring, friendly, safe environments. Training Provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack for further information 705-324-7323 x 274 or [emaccormack@community-care.on.ca](mailto:emaccormack@community-care.on.ca).

• **December 8th : Lochlin United Church Annual Community "Old Fashion Christmas Carol Sing-Along"** accompanied by Rev. Harry Morgan and Friends. It starts at 7:30pm and is at the Lochlin United Church on Lochlin Rd. Refreshments following: Hot Cider and Christmas Goodies. Donations to the food bank gratefully accepted.

• **December 8th : Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild** Xmas Pot Luck Luncheon. St. Georges Anglican Church, Mountain Street. Don't forget to bring your plate, cup and cutlery, also a wrapped gift \$10 limit. Every one Welcome. Call Sharon for more info 286-1531

• **December 11th : Halipalooza** presented by The Haliburton School of the Arts, Fleming College. An end of the semester Art Show and sale hosted by current students in full-time diploma and certificate programs. The exhibition will take place from 10 am until 3 pm at the Haliburton Campus of Fleming College. For further information, Please contact Organizer Terri Frew at 705-457-1680 ext.6759.

• **December 12th : Breakfast with Santa!!!** At the Red Umbrella Inn. Kids 6 and under eat free.

• **December 16th : Meet the Nurse in Haliburton**, 10am to noon, Ontario Early Years Centre (83 Maple Ave., Halco Plaza, lower level) in Haliburton. Parents with children up to the age of six can meet with the public health nurse. The nurse can weigh the baby, provide breastfeeding support, screen for speech concerns and discuss infant care, growth and development and other parental concerns. Call 705-457-1391 for more information.

• **December 16th : Christmas Luncheon** at Minden Legion from noon til 2 pm. Community Care Haliburton County will be hosting a Delicious Turkey Dinner, Dessert, Tea/Coffee. \$15 per person. Call 457-2941 to order your tickets. Tickets only available til Dec 9. We would love you to join us.

• **December 19th & 26th : Allsaw Church Christmas Concert.** Starts at 7pm and refreshments served after.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to [editor@haliburtonecho.ca](mailto:editor@haliburtonecho.ca), or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to [editor@mindentimes.ca](mailto:editor@mindentimes.ca) or brought in to the office.

**Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.**  
**NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area.** Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.



## Taking aim on a new sport

The Haliburton Ski Club was going through a trial run of paintball biathlon (that will soon be offered this season for kids and adults) at Glebe Park in Haliburton this past Saturday. Register at [www.skihaliburton.com](http://www.skihaliburton.com).

Photos by Darren Lum

# Bantam B Highland Storm split a pair on the road this past weekend

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filled match, the boys were only able to muster one goal by Ben Schmidt but unfortunately, it was too little too late.

Although Floyd Hall's Atom AEs didn't win the tournament, this team has much to be proud of with an emotional, hard-fought two days of hockey. Special thanks must go to Joanne Sisson and her crew of parents who organized the amazing raffle tables and to Jim O'Neill for convening the tournament and filling in when needed.

- Submitted by Jon Petrie

### Predators prey on Storm at Silver Stick

It was a busy weekend with the two-day International Silver Stick Tournament for Peewee AEs groups 3 to 5. It started early Saturday morning at the Minden arena with the first two teams arriving at 7 a.m. for their game at 8 a.m. The tournament ended up being an hour behind by the afternoon with the last game being played at 8 p.m. instead of 7 p.m. Randy's Tree Care and Landscap-

ing Peewee AEs games were scheduled for 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. We first played Prince Edward County Kings and the Storm boys did not look like they came to play hockey.

We were down one player with an injury and another playing with tonsillitis. The score in this game was 3-0 a loss for the Storm. Things did not improve with the second game against the Port Perry Predator who dominated the Storm and won, 6-1. Our only goal, unassisted went to Ethan Cooper. By now the Storm had not acquired enough points to continue on to Sundays semi-finals in Haliburton, but had one more game to play. Maybe it was the thought of being defeated in all three games in a tournament that they were hosting that woke up the team, who were now down two players, but the third who had tonsillitis continued to play.

The newly energized team headed onto the ice with purpose and won the game 4-2 against the Ennismore Eagles, a moment of glory that did not change the outcome of this tournament. The first goal went to Mitch

Billings with an assist to Drew Van Lieshout. The other three goals went to Max MacNaull, Drew Van Lieshout and Greg Crofts all unassisted.

The end of the tournament saw the Port Perry Predators as champions and the Napanee Stars as finalist. I would like to thank Wade MacInnes for his tireless work, support and help, Susan Burgess, Cheryll Russell, Steacy Billings, Jessica and John Rider, and all the others who offered their help. Also a thank you for Dani Smolen and Justins Jewelry. I apologize if I have missed anyone.

The weekend of Dec. 10 through 12 sees us in a tournament in Huntsville. Our next home game is Saturday, Dec. 18 against Port Carling in Haliburton at 3:30 p.m.

- Submitted by Karena Crofts

### Girls' Bantam team loses to Markham

The Minden Car Quest Bantam C Highland Storm girls' hockey squad had their undefeated record snapped Sunday afternoon in Minden. The team hosted the Markham-Stouffville Stars and played a tough game. Sydney Feir tied the game midway through the second period but Stars scored the eventual game winning goal early in the third on a harmless play where the puck found its way into the back of the net. The Storm will have to have their "A-game" back in form as they travel to Keene to take on this undefeated squad this Saturday at 12:30. Get ready to play spoilers girls!

- Submitted by Dan Marsden

### Highland Storm Atom A takes on Bracebridge

The Highland Storm Atom A team hosted the Bracebridge Bears this weekend with two intense games. It was a fast-paced gripping game in Haliburton on Friday. Both teams played aggressively, keeping the crowd on the edge. The game ended in a 1-1 tie. The Storm goal was scored by Nolan Flood and assisted by Owen Patterson-Smith. The excitement carried on in Minden on Sunday. The Storm team rallied to take the lead in the first period, both teams continued to push and the momentum grew. It was a tremendous effort from the Storm but ended in a 4-3 loss against the Bears. Goals scored by Kyle Cooper, Owen Gilbert and two from Nolan Flood. It was an awesome team effort with assists from Kyle Cooper, Owen Gil-

bert, Nolan Flood and Jacob Haedicke. The Storm Atom A team is currently sitting third place in their division with 14 points of the 13 games played. Next weekend, they are on the road to Huntsville. Good luck boys!

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- Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

### One win, one loss for Bantam team

On Tuesday, Nov. 30 the Bantam B Highland Storm sponsored by Parker Pad and Printing, travelled to Bobcaygeon to face the Sturgeon Thunder. Both teams showed up to play and treated the fans to a great show. The action went back and forth with Logan Churko standing tall in the Storm net and the Sturgeon goalkeeper doing the same for his team. Early in the first period Churko turned back a Sturgeon penalty shot with a great pad save. The Storm's best chance came in the second on a Hunter Bishop breakaway; he deked past the goalie but ran out of room before he could tuck the puck into the net.

Sturgeon struck first at 13:19 of the third. The Storm responded well with a lot of sustained pressure, both Lucas Esson and Tyler Casey beat the Sturgeon goalie but not the goalpost. Sturgeon put the game away with their second goal at 5:11. Coach Drew Bishop pulled Churko with two minutes left but despite intense pressure the Storm could not score and went down to defeat.

The road trip for the Storm continued on Sunday, Dec. 5 when they travelled to Bethany to play the Manvers Mustangs. The Storm struck first at 11:24 of the second period when a Luic Muli blast from the point went in off the goalie. Jesse Davis tallied two minutes later to double the score and the Storm began to dominate the game. Lucas Esson scored next on a pretty passing play set up by Hunter Bishop and Tyler Casey. Braden Roberts followed with a great solo effort to extend the lead to 4-0.

Manvers was finally able to answer with a goal near the end of the period but it was quickly countered by Roberts's second of the night with 3.1 seconds left on the clock.

Mac Monk-Cray rounded out the scoring with the only goal of the third period which brought the final score to 6-1 in favour of the Storm. Their record for the season stands at four wins, three loses, and three ties.

- Submitted by Doug Sullivan



The Highland Storm took on the Collingwood Blackhawks in the championship game but lost by a score of 3-1.

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## Deaths

**SIMS, Ernest (Ernie) Allan** - Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Friday, December 3, 2010 with his family by his side. At the age of 67. Beloved son of Lola and the late Bill Sims, dear brother of Lori McKay. Dear uncle of Jake and Josh (Lindsey) McKay and great uncle of Searra, Kayla, Layne, Max and Brock. Fondly remembered by his aunt, uncles, cousins and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, on Monday evening from 6:00 until 9:00 pm and on Tuesday, December 7, 2010 from 12:00 noon until the time of the service in the Chapel at 1:00 pm. Interment at Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. [www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com](http://www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com)

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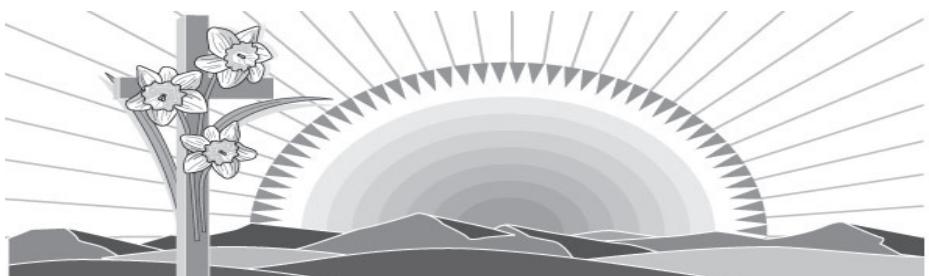
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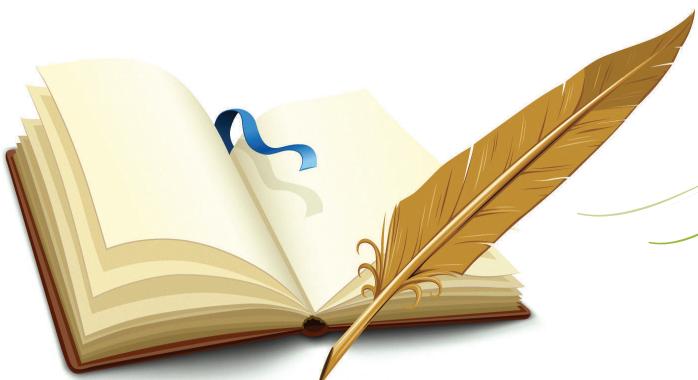
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### DRAG LAKE

Private, well treed 13 ac. 1100 ft frontage. West exposure. Impressive views of Red Rock & natural shoreline, sloping to sandy bottom swimming, protected inlet, boat one of the best lakes in the County! Road roughed in.

**\$679,000**



### LAKE KASHAGAWIGAMOG

Architecturally designed. Loads of character. 148' sand shoreline, south exposure, extremely private. 2br Bunkie with 3pc. Dbl wetslip boathouse & change house at Water's edge.

**\$649,000**



### DRAG LAKE 82 ACRES

82 magnificent scenic acres with waterfront and private road. Panoramic views west. Prestigious lake and Blueberry Point area.

**\$625,000**



### KOSHLONG LAKE

Level lot, faces west, prime lake. Quiet Bay, peaceful & private. Spacious 4 bedroom, 3 bath Viceroy. Multi level decking, att double garage.

**\$615,000**



### KABAKWA (PEACH) LAKE

Attractive 3 BR on natural 1.03 ac lot. Pine interior, open concept creates country warmth & charm that buyers are looking for. Breathtaking view, west exp & sunsets. Clean sand/rock shore, swimmers delight! Cute Bunkie, large shed.

**\$524,000**



### MINNICOCK LAKE

Very private 'Linwood' cottage. 299ft frontage & 12 acres. Screened porch, large deck. Natural lot, Motor restricted lake. Naturalist's Delight!

**\$499,900**



### KOSHLONG LAKE

Premiere Haliburton area lake, 10 min to village, 4 season access, S/W exp, rock shelf shoreline, year round 4 season use with cottage flare 4 br 2 bath, single car garage. Level lot, super swimming, boating & fishing.

**\$439,900**



### LITTLE GLAMOR LAKE

With most building materials harvested from the property, this stacked cordwood cottage is truly unique. 5 br, open concept living area. If true 'cottaging' is what you want, see this. 255 ft frtg, 14 ac of rich forest. Ask for more information

**\$429,000**



### GREEN LAKE

Spectacular sand beach point lot waterfront home. West exposure. Landscaped lot incl. creek & footbridge. Hot tub room, attached garage, all wheelchair access.

**\$419,000**



### 3 AC LOT ON DRAG LAKE

152 ft of magnificent rippled sand beach facing west. Extremely private. Big lake view and great level building site. Call for details.

**\$389,000**



### NEW HOME

Sandford Court. 3 br, 2 bath. 1682 sf home & full bsmt. Dbl att grg. 2.68 ac lot. Private. Minutes to town. Tarion Warranty. See it now!

**\$339,000**



### SANDFORD CRT. CUSTOM BUILT

Large 2.01 ac subdivision lot. Raymac Corp. 3br home. 1682sf, full bsmt, Dbl grg. Quality materials & workmanship, Tarion Warranty. Ask for specs.

**\$334,900**



### INCOME OPPORTUNITY

4 unit apartment building. Good location. Easy rentals. Immaculate grounds, paved driveway, easy highway access. Live in, rent out, tenants pay the mortgage.

**\$299,999**



### RIDGEVIEW ROAD

Custom built 3br, 4 bath. 2600sf living space. Beautiful cedar deck. MBR with balcony. Finished lower with spa room. Awesome village views, private pretty lot.

**\$299,900**



### GREEN LAKE

Yr rnd home/cottage on water's edge. Gorgeous sand beach, level lot. Full w/o bsmt. Wraparound deck. Close to golf, store, skiing. 3 lake chain. Additional Backlot included.

**\$299,000**



### LARGE FAMILY HOME

Large home on 28 ac at Cardiff Lake. Full walkout basement ideal for a granny flat. Spacious rooms, closets, European style. Lot of potential with some updating.

**\$299,000**



### STORMY LAKE

The perfect package! 3br cottage on level lot. Big lake view, sand shore. S/W exposure. Private. 2 sheds, Shoreline deck. Firepit. Tidy & ready to go!

**\$298,000**



### COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITY

Turn key property! Newly renovated & landscaped. Massive storage shed. Loads of potential for a variety of business opportunities. Recently run as a fully licensed restaurant, ice cream bar & mini putt. Large living quarters on the 2nd floor. Immaculate package.

**\$259,000**



### MOUNTAIN STREET

Totally renovated home on 3.38 ac lot. New contemporary kitchen w/island. Bright open concept. W/O to back deck. New carpet & ceramic flr. Fresh paint. 2-4pc baths. Large Recroom. Garage w/ carport. Turn Key Home.

**\$258,000**



### SUPER STARTER COTTAGE

2 bedrm cottage on Cardiff Lake water's edge. Clean shoreline, pretty view, Good Yr rnd r road. Open living/kitchen area, 3pc bath, covered verandah.

**\$247,000**



### BOUGHNER ROAD

3br ranch style on 10 ac lot only 10 min from Haliburton Village. Open concept living area. Sunken LR w/pine cathedral ceilings. Large master br with 3 pc ens. Full w/o bsmt w/ family rm, recrm (pool table area), 2 pc bath, laundry/utility area & separate workshop. Beautiful gardens, absolute privacy.

**\$239,900**



### COUNTY ROAD 21 HOME

Top location between Haliburton & Minden on nearly 5 acres. Privacy, country surroundings with a very well maintained 3BR home plus large garage. Good value for your family home or investment.

**\$239,900**



### HIGHWAY 35

12 Mile Lake right across the road. Great view, great location for a home based business. Spacious, bright appealing home. Many upgrades & features for any family.

**\$234,900**



### WILBERFORCE AREA

Charming round log home. Private on 24 acres with trails throughout. Country kitchen, main flr Indry, w/o bsmt with lg recroom. Double Car garage.

**\$229,000**



### HALIBURTON HOME

Great location near village & lots of room, outbuildings & potential. Contractor or home based businesses interested? Stone & brick home.

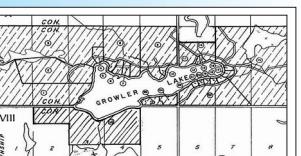
**\$199,900**



### HWY 118, CARNARVON

Totally reno'd 4 br home on level lot. Large eat in kitchen, bright, spacious lr with woodstove & w/o to front deck. Main floor laundry. Single detached garage & carport. Big storage shed & workshop. This turn key home is ideal for a young family or retired couple.

**\$159,500**



### GROWLER LAKE LOTS

Lots or Acreages Contact us for availability & sizes. Beautiful deep lake for fishing. Wilderness, beauty and wildlife at your doorstep!

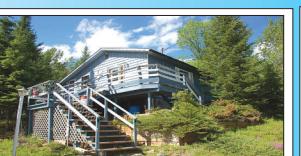
**\$149,000 & UP**



### WENONA LAKE ROAD

Home or Cottage. 2 bdrm bungalow situated on a level lot & close to access to lake. Large eat-in kitchen with oak cupboards, large livingroom with brick fireplace. Main floor laundry.

**\$129,900**



### GELERT ROAD

Three bdrm home, nice bright & clean. Laminate floor throughout, pine kitchen, Sunroom, gazebo and 2 storage sheds. Close to Haliburton Village. Good starter home.

**\$119,900**



### DRAG RIVER, HALIBURTON

Awesome lot just minutes from the village. Privacy on 3.68 ac. Driveway in, drilled well & building site cleared. Just start building!

**\$99,900**

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